

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 05-CV-1004

EXHIBIT I

ANN BEESON
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February 8, 2005

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RE: REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED PROCESSING
FOIA Requests No. 1010249-000; 1010242-000; 1010243-000;
1010244-000; 1010245-000; 1010246-000; 1010247-000;
1010248-000

Dear Mr. Corallo and Mr. Hardy:

This letter concerns two Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") requests submitted on December 2, 2004 by the American Civil Liberties Union and the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation ("ACLU") on behalf of the ACLU and several political and religious organizations. These FOIA requests seek information regarding: (1) the activities, operations, and organization of national and local Joint Terrorism Task Forces ("JTTFs"); and (2) any monitoring, surveillance, observation, questioning, investigation and/or infiltration of the requesting organizations by the FBI.

Both FOIA requests included a request for expedited processing pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(d)(1). DOJ regulations provide that a decision to grant or deny expedited processing shall be made within ten (10) calendar days of the date of a FOIA request. 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(d)(4). As that deadline passed nearly six weeks ago, on December 19, 2004, you are in violation of the regulations.

Please inform us as soon as possible, but no later than February 21, 2005, of your determination regarding our request for expedited processing for the two above-referenced FOIA requests.

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ann Beeson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ann Beeson